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For: PROCESS FOR DETERMINING )  
THE STATUS OF AN ORGANISM )  
BY PEPTIDE MEASUREMENT )  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER RULE 111

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Office Action dated September 9, 2003 on the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.

Submitted herewith is a check in the amount of \$27.00 for three additional claims (small entity), a petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the Office Action, and a check in the amount of \$55.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment concerning this matter to our Deposit Account No. 15-0508.

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